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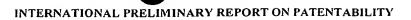
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1.	Statement	t			
	Nove	lty (N)	Claims.	1-16	YES
			Claims		NO NO
	Inven	tive step (IS)	Claims	1-16	YES
			Claims		NO NO
	Indust	trial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-16	YES
			Claims		NO NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Cited document:

WO 0024335 A1 (IMPLANT INNOVATIONS, INC)

The document cited in the International Search Report represents background art.

The invention defined in claims 1-16 is not disclosed by this document. The cited document does not give any indication towards the claimed spacer preferably made entirely of ceramic and with an adapter.

Therefore, the invention defined in claims 1-16 is novel and is considered to involve an inventive step. It is also considered to be industrially applicable.